

MINUTES OF THE
PARK & RECREATION COMMISSION COMMITTEE MEETING
Village of Butler

March 22, 2017

Minutes not formally approved until the next Park & Recreation Commission Meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Kevin Endries, Charlene Benjamin, Mike Thew

Absent: Christy Ojeda

Guests: Mike Larsen, Butler Youth Baseball

PERSONS DESIRING TO BE HEARD

Mike Larsen, Outgoing youth baseball commissioner. The following items were discussed:

- Use of Field #1. When there is no softball, can Youth Baseball teams use it? Endries gave preliminary approval, pending a discussion with Administrator Chadwick.
- Concession stand. Can Youth Baseball make use of the Stand? Benjamin shared the information that renting the Concession stand can currently be done through the Administrator's office.
- Lights. Can Youth Baseball occasionally have lights on, on cloudy days? Endries gave preliminary approval.
- Fields 2 and 3. Are there funds to add more baseball mix? Last year's mix has partially washed out. Endries to discuss with Administrator Chadwick.
- Safety issues. Can DPW look at the benches, fences, boards, and dead tree branches, especially in Field 2? Endries to discuss with Administrator Chadwick.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES:

Motion by Thew, seconded by Endries to approve the Park & Recreation Commission minutes of February 22, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Endries discuss Youth Baseball requests with Administrator Chadwick and the DPW.
2. Endries to invite Gundrum to next meeting.
3. Benjamin to place articles about Dartball League and Decorating Contest
4. Endries to clarify rules for carry-in beverages with the Softball teams.
5. All look into acceptable charges for fence line advertising at the baseball fields. Benjamin to open discussions with Chadwick.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Action Items from February not covered by the Agenda
 - The Commission reviewed the short article about a future Dartball league, and the Holiday Decorating Contest. Approved them for the eNewsletter and Facebook page. **Action Item:** Benjamin will place.
2. Softball League.
 - Endries is meeting on March 28th with Carolyn Jahnke and the team managers.
 - Currently only eight teams have signed up for Monday and Thursday evenings. Endries has been recruiting, but several former teams have already signed with other leagues.
 - **Action Item:** Endries clarify the rules for carry-in adult beverages.
3. Horseshoe League.
 - Endries met with Phil Gross to discuss the league and its requirements.
 - Bob Gundrum is generating a list of required maintenance. **Action Item:** Endries to invite Gundrum to next meeting.
 - Thew will deliver donated sand to the DPW as soon as his boss gives permission. This sand could be used in the pits.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Fence Advertisement – The Village Board gave permission to work on the details with Chadwick. **Action Item:** Thew will look into what other Fields in the area are charged. Endries and Benjamin to check as well. Benjamin to discuss with Chadwick.
2. April Agenda Items
 - a. Report of March Action Items not covered in Agenda

- b. Playground Committee Report
- c. Community Building Clean up Report
- d. 4th of July Parade & Events Report
- e. Youth Baseball League update
- f. Discussion and possible action on Softball League
- g. Discussion and possible action on Horseshoe League
- h. Discussion and possible action on Fence Advertisements and Field Naming Rights

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Benjamin, seconded by Thew; adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Next meeting is scheduled for April 26, 2017 in the Conference Room at Village Hall.

Submitted by: Charlene M Benjamin, Secretary, Park & Recreation Commission